

Physics with the HKS

- hypernuclear spectroscopy

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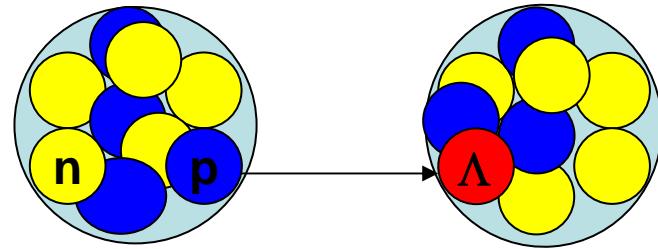
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Λ hypernuclei

Core Nucleus + Λ hyperon

Nucleon replaced
by Λ hyperon.



- **Λ N interaction**
 - Unified view of baryon-baryon interaction by including new degree of freedom, strangeness.
 - Central and spin-dependent Λ N interaction.
 $V_{\Lambda N}$ (~30 MeV) < V_{NN} (~50 MeV)
- **Unique structure of hadronic many-body system**
 - Deeply bound states, no **Pauli blocking**.
 - Core excited states.
 - Glue role of a Λ hyperon in nucleus.

Narrow widths of excited states

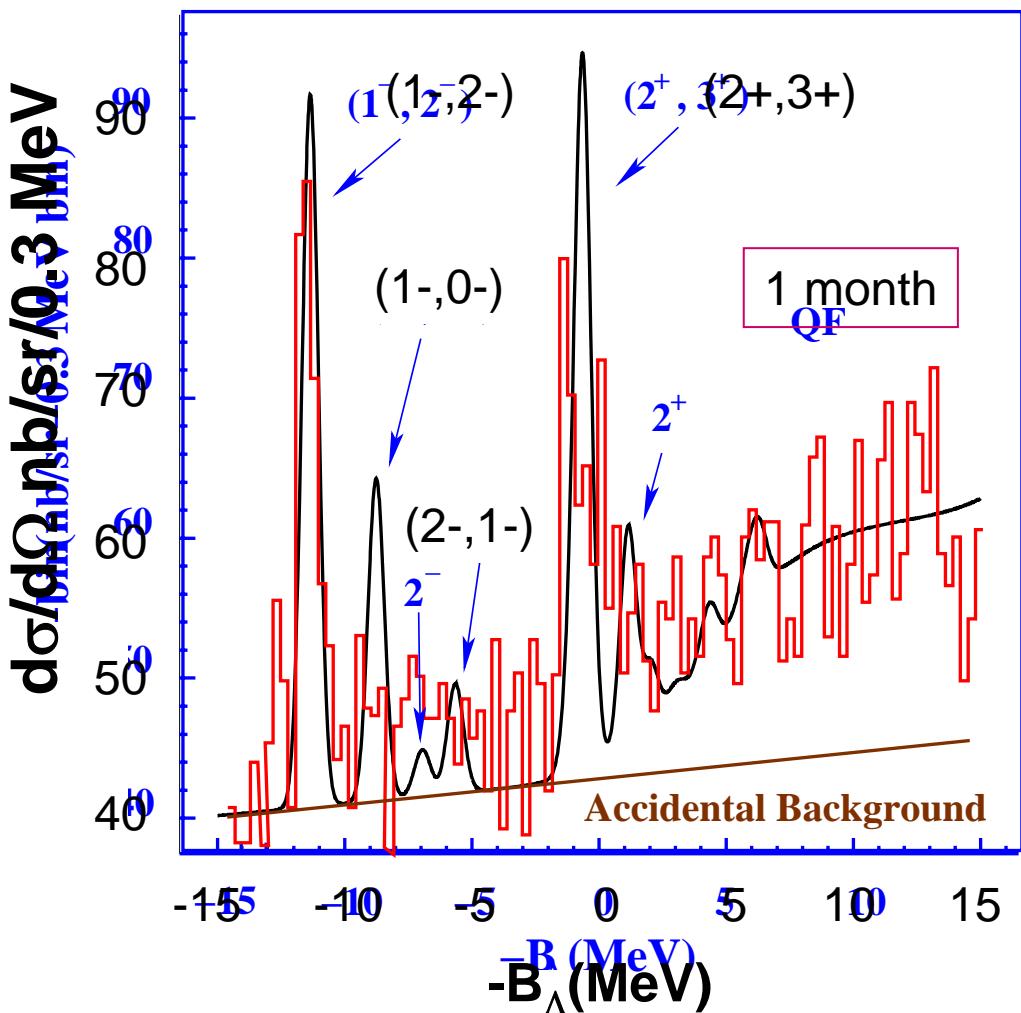


High precision spectroscopy

Physics issues

- $^{12}\text{C} \rightarrow {}^{12}_{\Lambda}\text{B}$
 - Precision analysis of core excited states
 - p-orbit states splitting ?
 - comparison with the mirror hypernucleus, ${}^{12}_{\Lambda}\text{C}$
- $^{28}\text{Si} \rightarrow {}^{28}_{\Lambda}\text{Al}$
 - The first precision spectroscopy beyond the p-shell
 - *ls* splitting in the p, d orbits ?
- Other targets (${}^{6,7}\text{Li}$, ${}^9\text{Be}$, ${}^{10,11}\text{B}$, ${}^{51}\text{V}$, ${}^{89}\text{Y}$)
 - Rate study for heavier targets
 - p-shell spectroscopy
 - Target mass dependence --- quasifree K^+ electroproduction

$^{12}_{\Lambda}\text{B}$ spectrum of E89-009



Ground state doublet

Binding energy

$$B_\Lambda = 11.4 \pm 0.5 \text{ MeV}$$

Emulsion data

$$B_\Lambda = 11.37 \text{ MeV}$$

Cross section

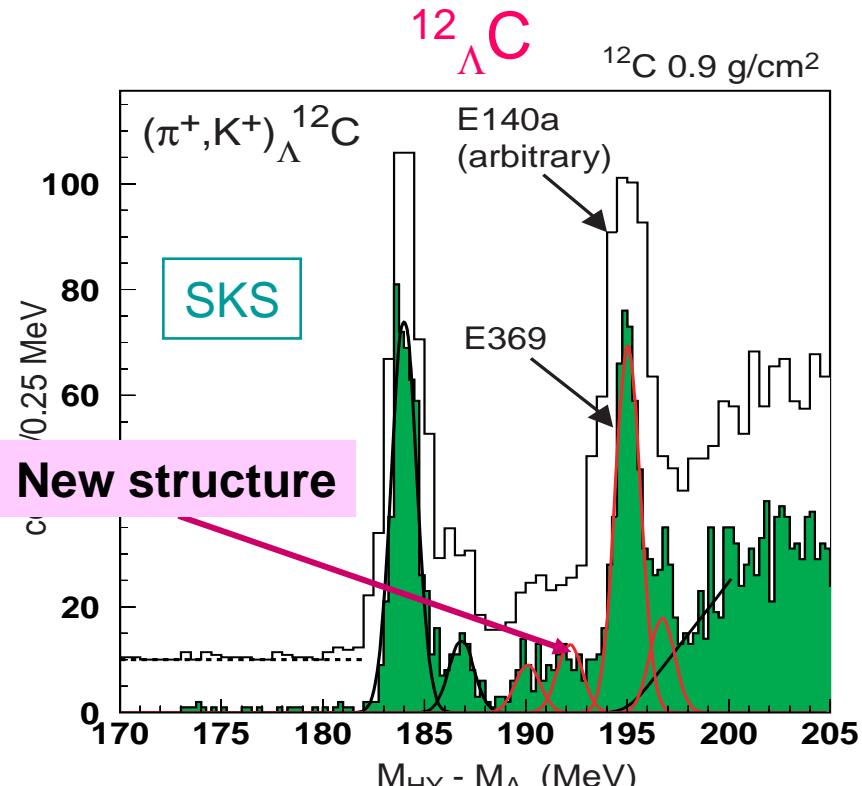
$$140 \pm 17(\text{stat}) \pm 18(\text{sys}) \text{ nb/sr}$$

Motoba's calculation

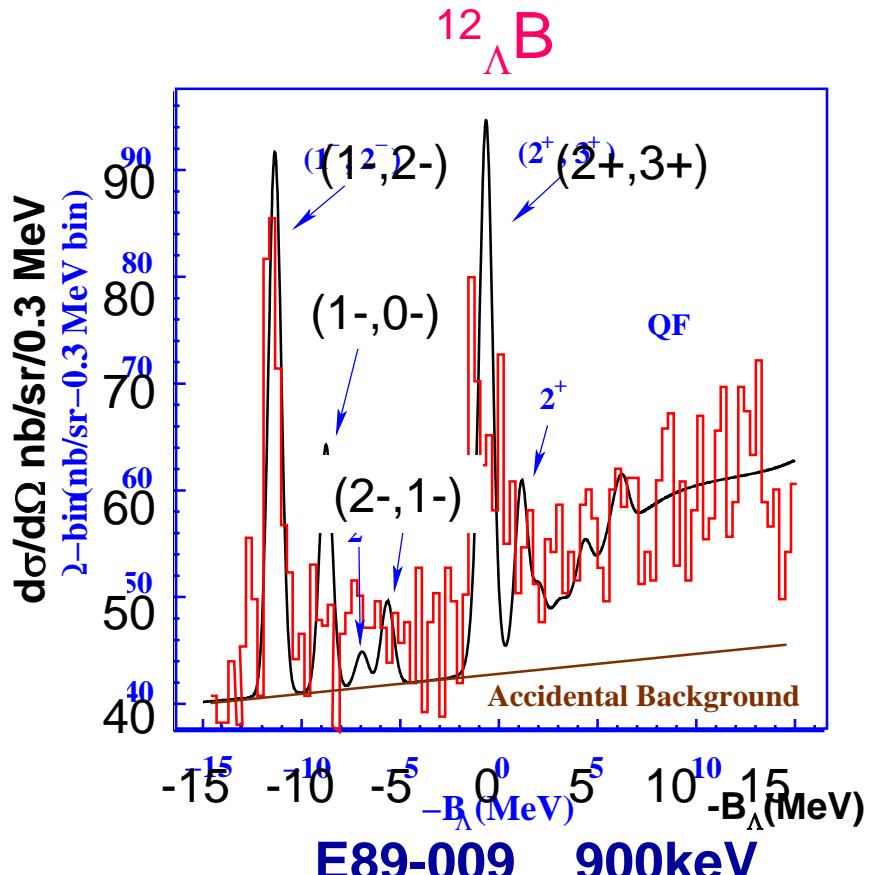
$$138 \text{ nb/sr}$$

More statistics and better resolution are required to see more precise structure of core-nucleus excited states.

Energy spectra in $^{12}_{\Lambda}\text{C}$ and $^{12}_{\Lambda}\text{B}$

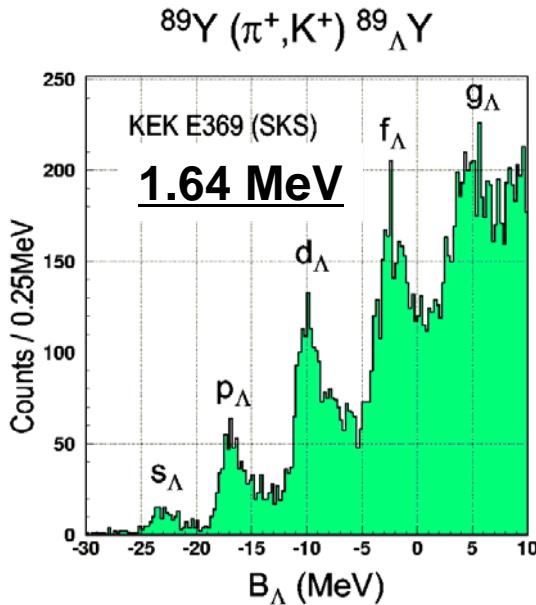


KEK E369 1.45 MeV(FWHM)

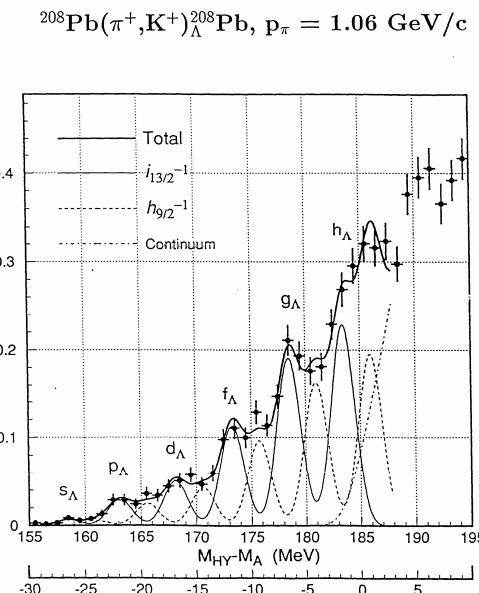
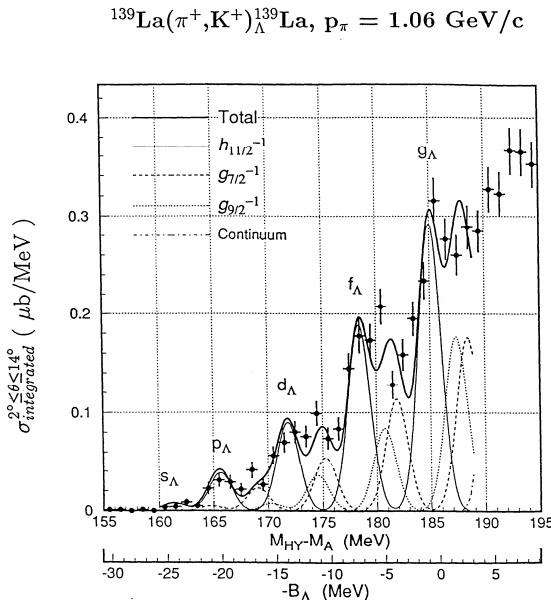


- Core-nucleus excited states
- Splitting in p shell
- Charge symmetry

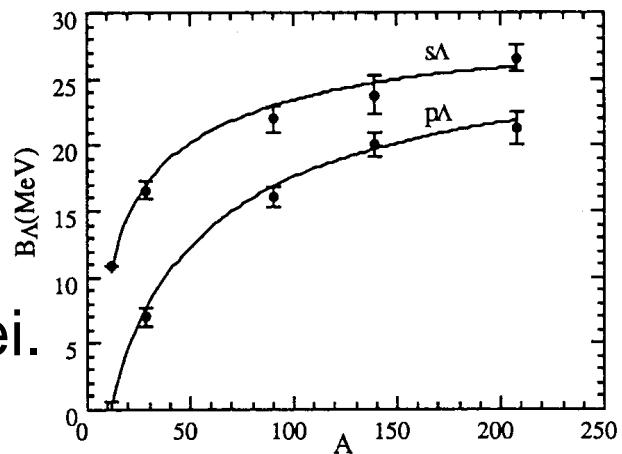
Medium-Heavier hypernuclei



Hotchi et al., PRC 64 (2001) 044302



- Taking data of $^{28}\text{Si} \rightarrow {}^{28}_{\Lambda}\text{Al}$.
- A dependence.
 - Behavior of Λ in large A
- l/s splitting in d, f orbits of heavier nuclei.
 - l/s of YN is $\sim 1/30$ smaller than NN in small A.



Basic characteristics of (e,e'K⁺) spectroscopy

Hadron (K or π) beam :

Large cross section,
the energy resolution is 1.5 MeV,
limited by ΔE of secondly beam.

Electron beam :

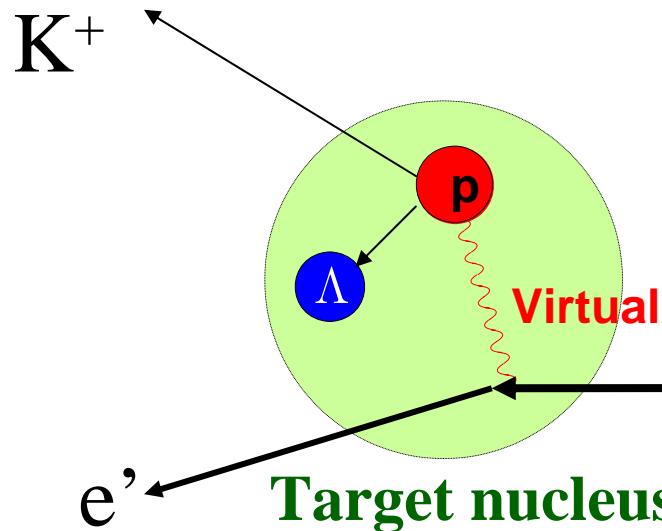
Small cross section, recovered by high intensity
continuous e beam in JLAB.
the 400 keV energy resolution is possible.

- Proton converted to $\Lambda \rightarrow$ Neutron rich Λ hypernuclei, charge symmetry
- Large angular momentum transfer \rightarrow Similarly to (π^+, K^+) reaction
- Spin-flip amplitude \rightarrow Unnatural parity hypernuclear states
- Sub MeV resolution \leftarrow High quality primary beam

Kinematics of the ($e, e' K^+$) reaction

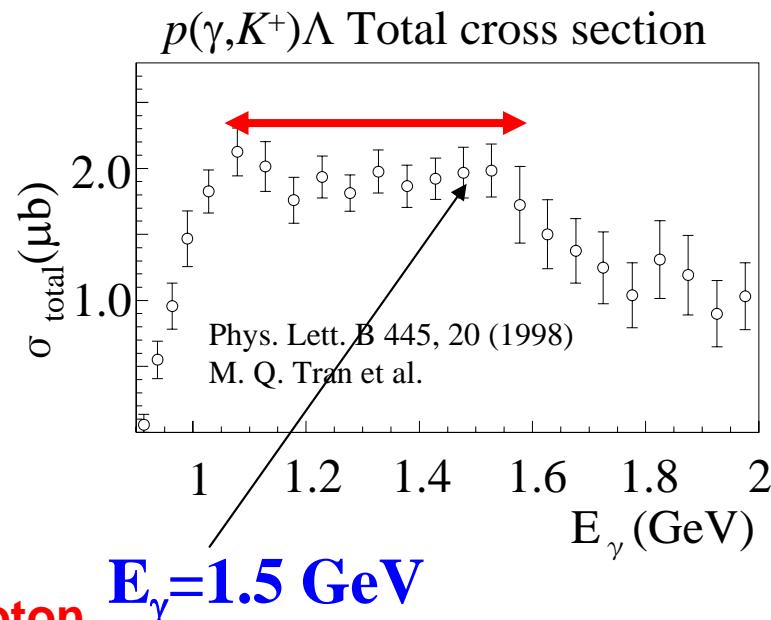
$p_K = 1.2 \text{ GeV}/c$

HKS (new spectrometer)



$p_e = 0.3 \text{ GeV}/c$

ENGE (tilted)



$E_\gamma = 1.5 \text{ GeV}$

e^- Beam
 $E_e = 1.853 \text{ GeV}$

Previous experiment (E89-009)

- The first ($e, e' K^+$) experiment
 - In Hall C
 - Electron spectrometer --- Enge split pole
 - Kaon Spectrometer --- SOS (existing)
 - the energy resolution - 500keV
 - 0 degree tagging geometry.
 - large backgrounds of electrons/positrons from pair creation.

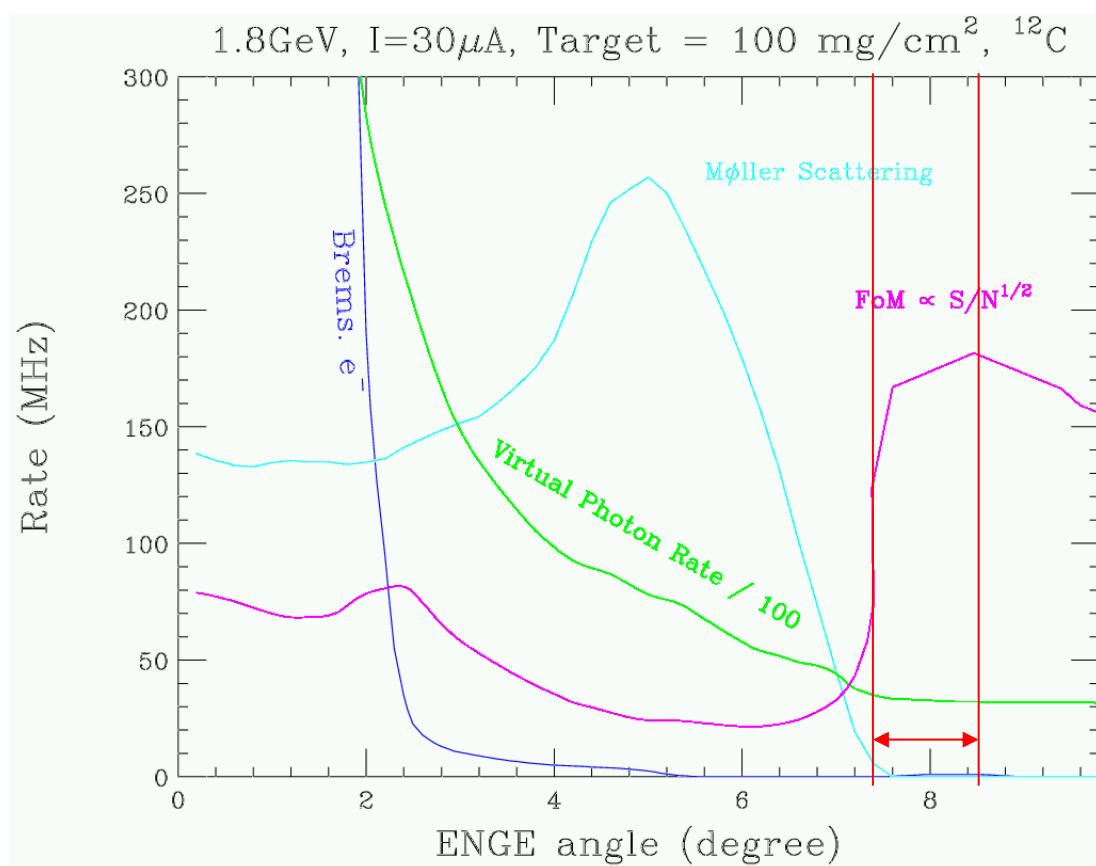
In the new experiment,
Need to

- 1 Reduce the accidental rate in e' arm.
- 2 Improve the energy resolution in Kaon arm.

Tilt method for ENGE to reduce the accidental rate

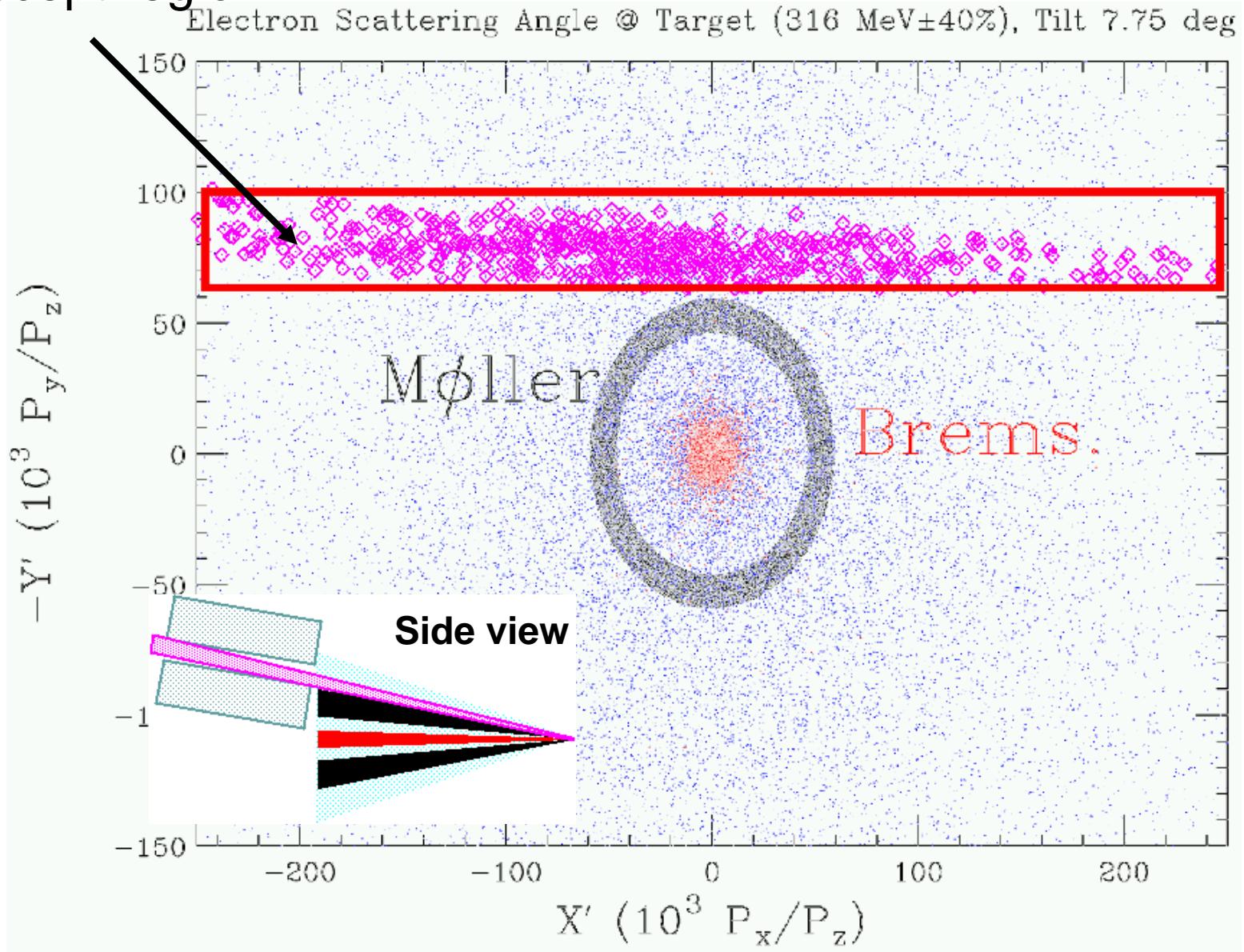
Scattered electrons
(0.2 to 0.4 GeV/c)
(1) Bremsstrahlung
(2) Møller scattering
(3) Virtual photons

Locate ENGE
with 7.74 degree.
to avoid (1) and (2)
processes.



Optimization of the tilt angle

Accept region.

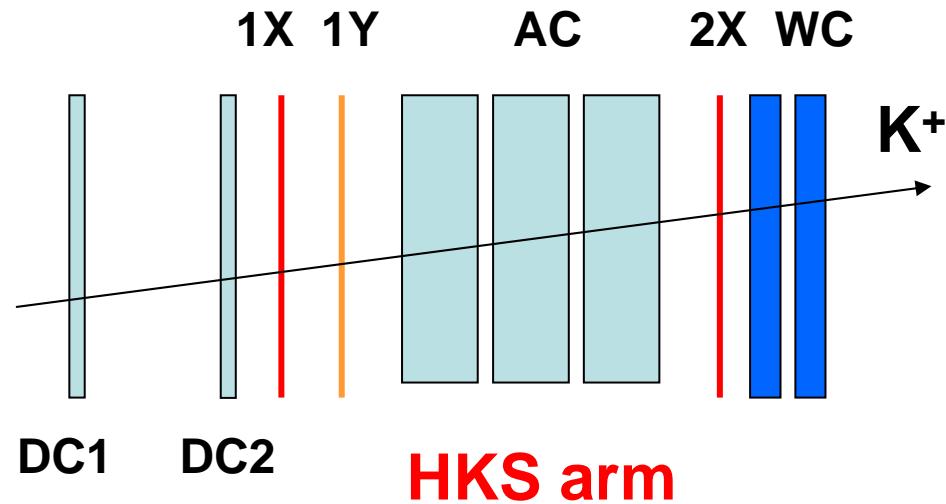


New spectrometer HKS

Configuration	Q+Q+D
Central momentum	1.2 GeV/c
Dispersion	4.7 cm/%
Momentum resolution	2×10^{-4} (FWHM)
Solid angle	16 msr w splitter
Momentum acceptance	12.5 %



HKS detector package



Detectors:

- Drift chamber
- TOF
- Aerogel cherenkov (veto π)
- Water cherenkov (veto p)

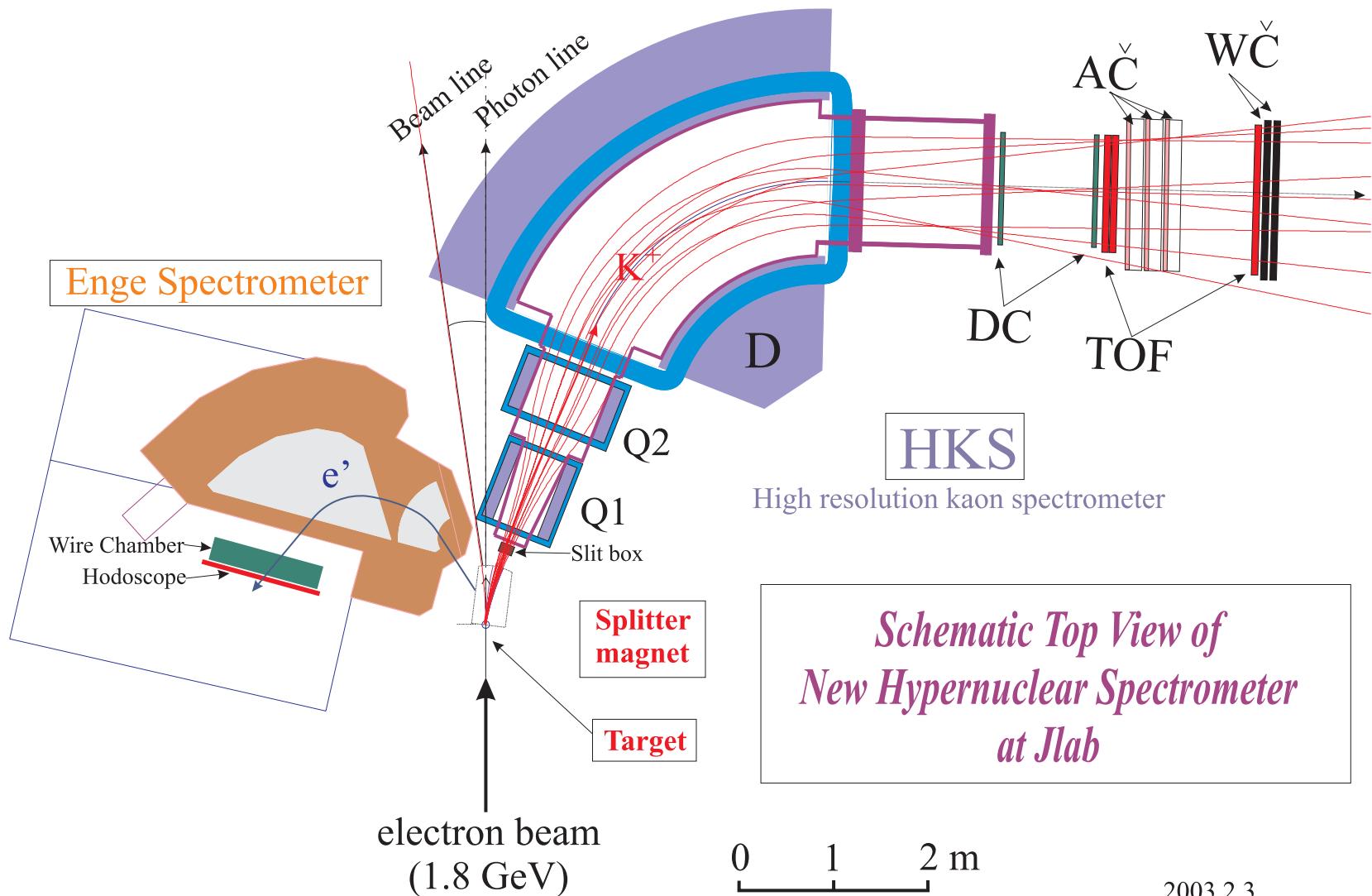


Expected Energy Resolution

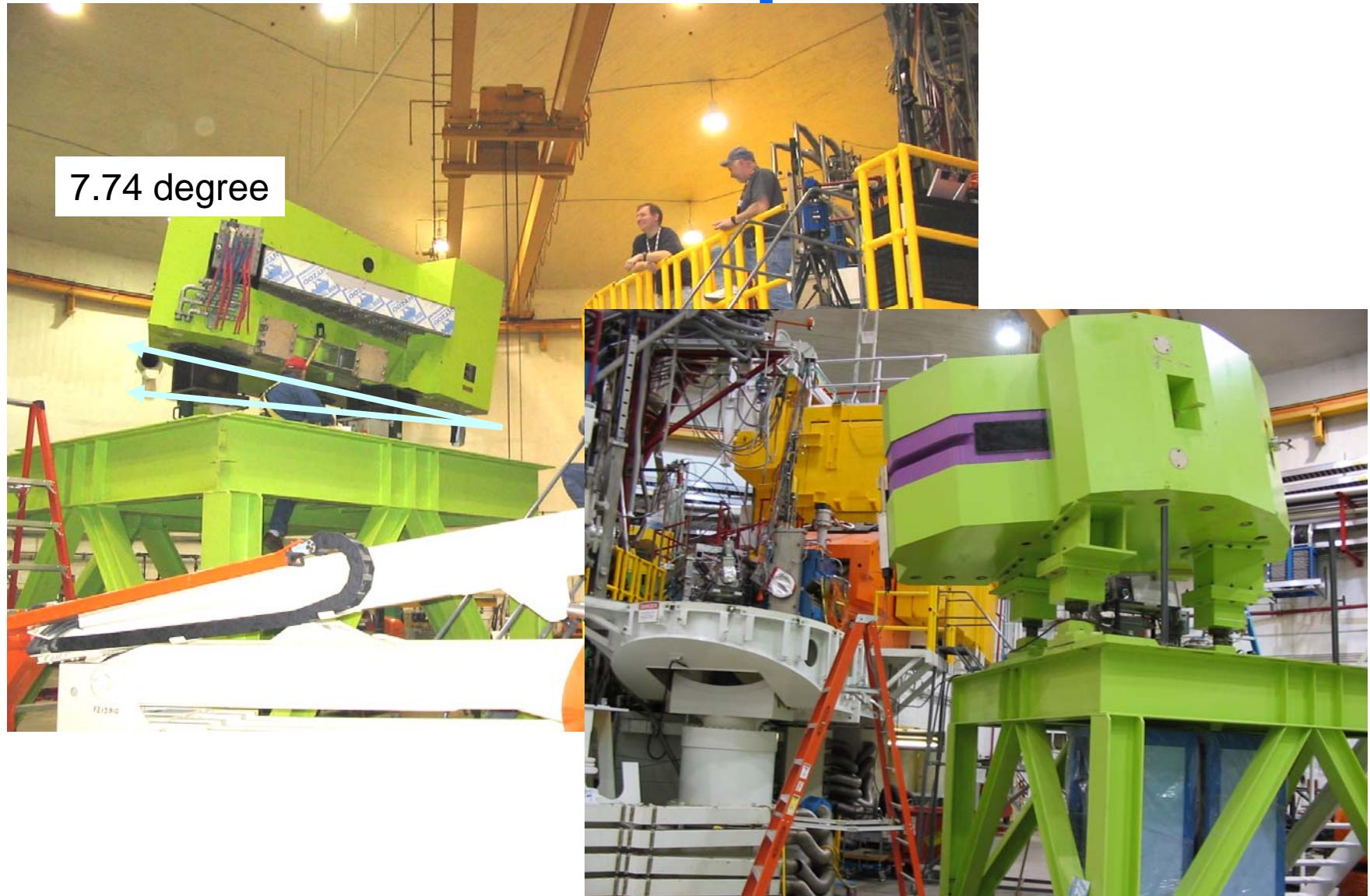
Item	Contribution to the resolution (keV, FWHM)			
Target	^{12}C	^{28}Si	^{51}V	^{89}Y
HKS momentum	230 (\leftarrow 500 -SOS)			
Beam momentum	< 180			
Enge momentum	120			
K^+ angle	134	56	32	18
Target thickness	< 180	< 171	< 148	< 138
Overall	< 390	< 360	< 350	< 345

~400 keV

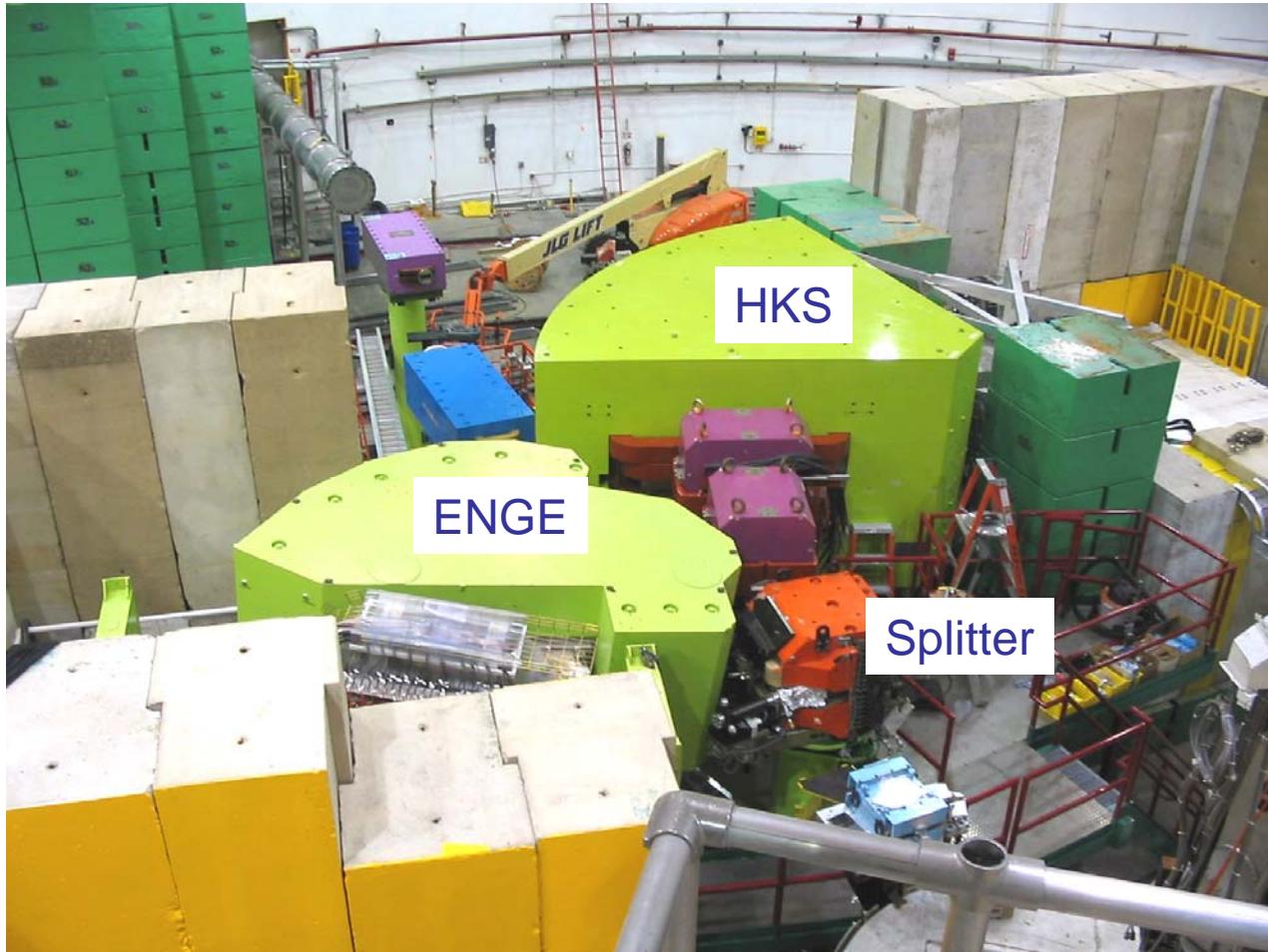
Experimental setup



Tilted ENGE spectrometer



HKS + ENGE + Splitter



Performance of detectors

HKS (K^+ detection)

- Drift chambers
 - Position resolution $\sigma \sim 220 \mu\text{m}$
 - Detection efficiency ~98%
- TOF counters
 - $\sigma \sim 250 \text{ ps}$
- Aerogel cherenkov (veto π)
 - index = 1.05, efficiency >98%
- Water cherenkov (veto p)
 - index = 1.33, efficiency >98%

Enge (e' detection)

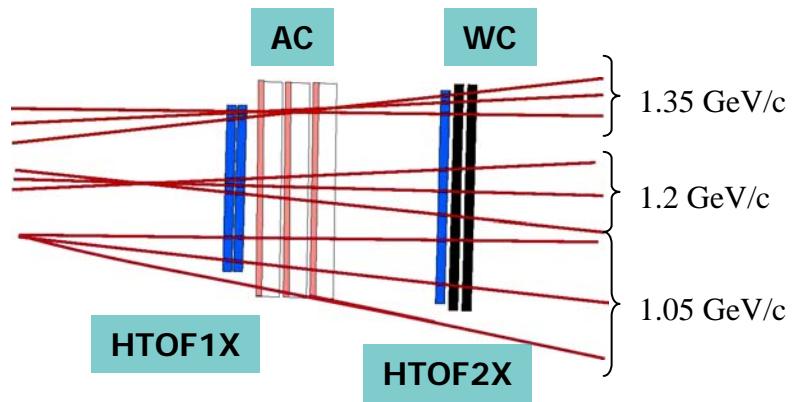
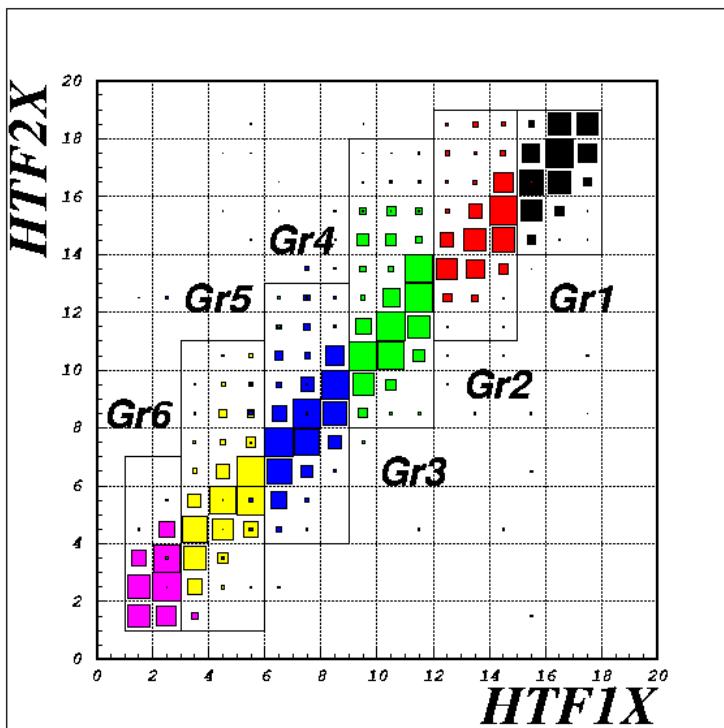
- Drift chamber :
 - Position resolution $\sigma = 300 \sim 370 \mu\text{m}$
- Detection efficiency >99%

• Hodoscope :

$\sigma \sim 150 \text{ ps}$

Grouping trigger in K⁺ arm

Hit pattern correlation between
HTOF 1X & HTOF2X.



Grouping trigger

- 6 segments.
- Select Good trajectory.
- Reduce Kaon accidental kill.
- HKS rate decreases by 35%.

Trigger condition

- HKS (Kaon trigger) --- 12 kHz
 - 1X & 1Y & 2X & AC & WC
(1X - 2X -1.1 MHz)

Rejection rate by AC / WC
is 1/100

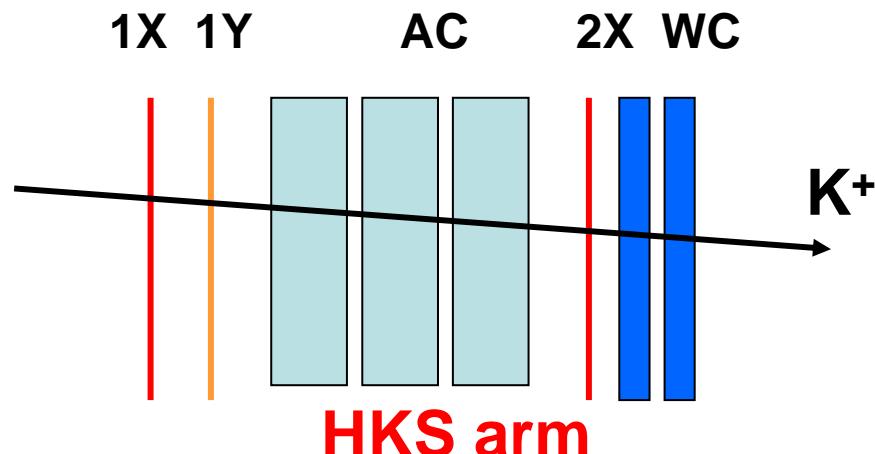
- ENGE --- 1.2 MHz <- 100MHz

Hodoscope 1layer & 2layer

- Coincidence trigger

~500 Hz

DAQ dead time ~5%



*Rates are with carbon target (100 mg/cm²) , 26 μ A

E89-009 vs. E01-011

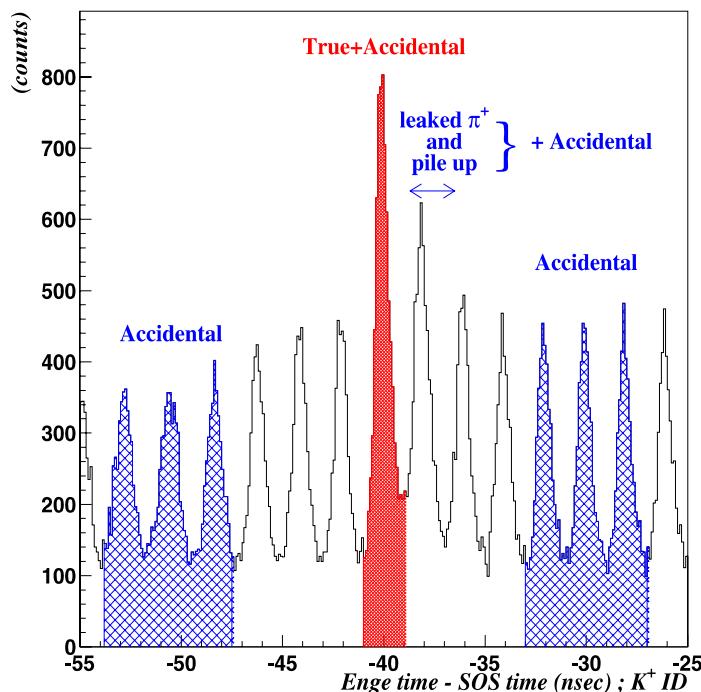
E89-009 vs. E01-011

- Beam intensity $1 \mu\text{A}$: $26 \mu\text{A}$
- Target thickness 20 mg/cm^2 : 100 mg/cm^2
- Luminosity 1 : 130
- Singles rate of e' arm >100 MHz : 1.2 MHz

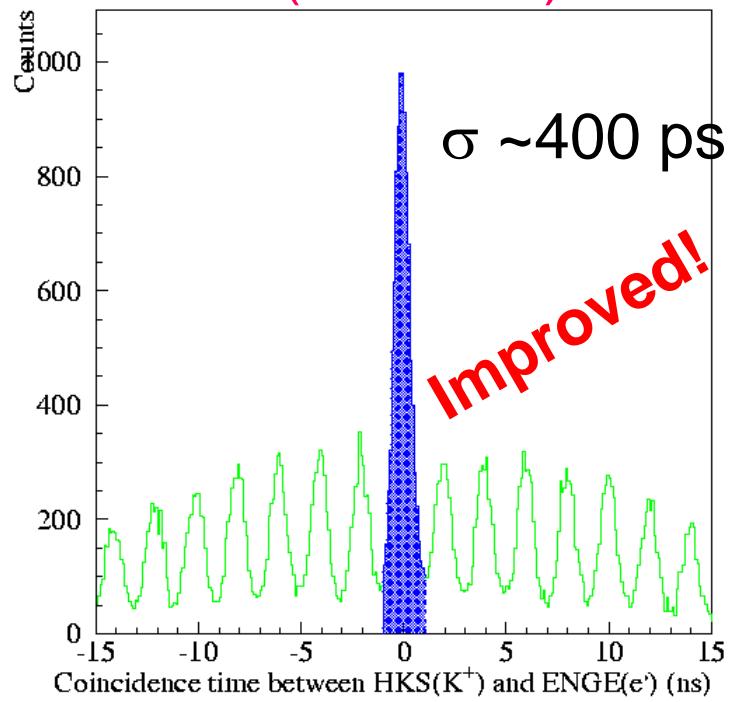
Tilt method is quite useful!
 10^{-4}
(Coincidence trigger 500 Hz with 5% dead time)
- Kaon acceptance 6 msr : 16 msr
- Energy Resolution 750 keV : 400 keV
- Kaon arm ($\Delta p/p$) 5×10^{-4} : 2×10^{-4}

Ratio of true / accidental in coincidence time

Previous experiment
(E89-009)



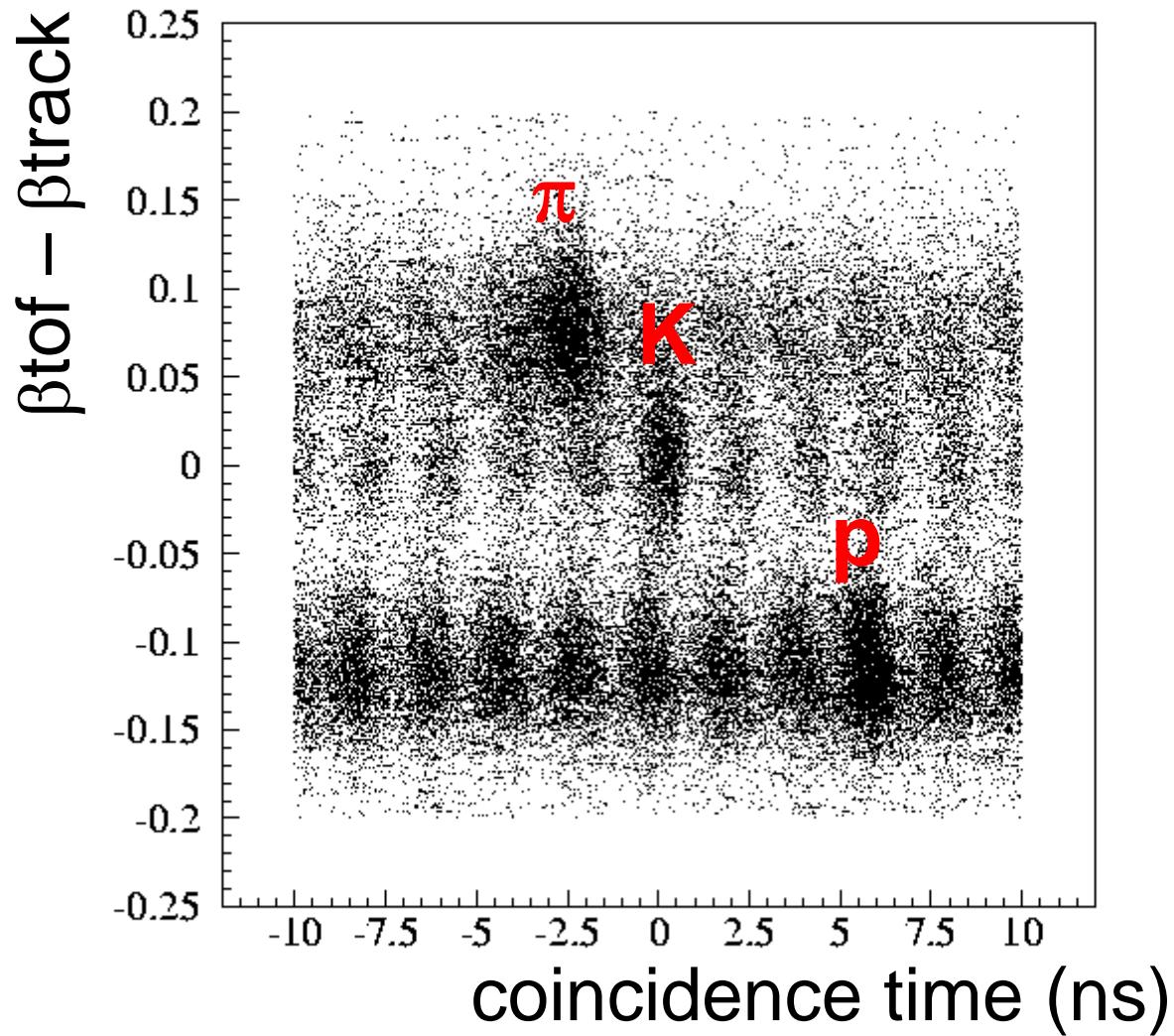
Present experiment
(E01-011)



With 1 μA, CH₂ target

With 1.5 μA, CH₂ target

Kaon PID

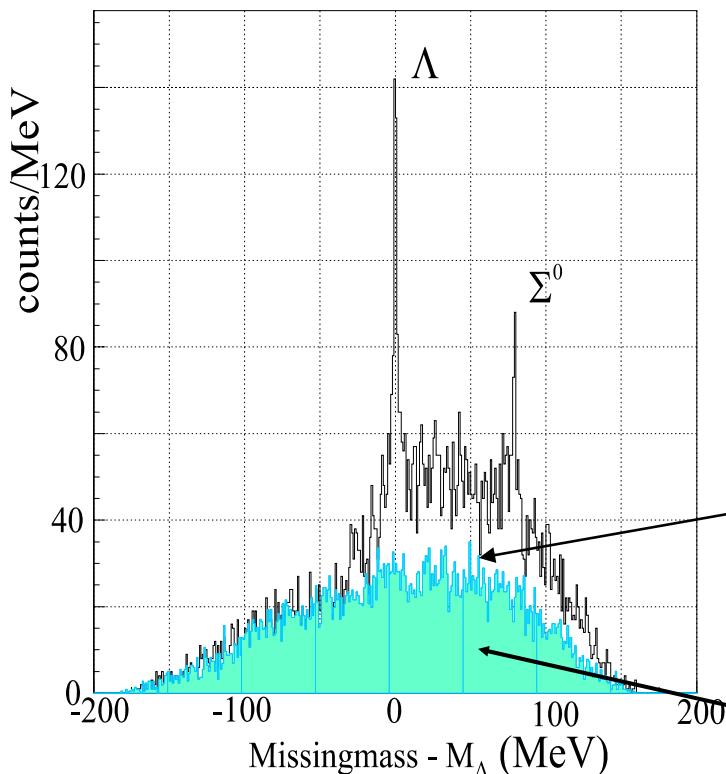


Calibration data

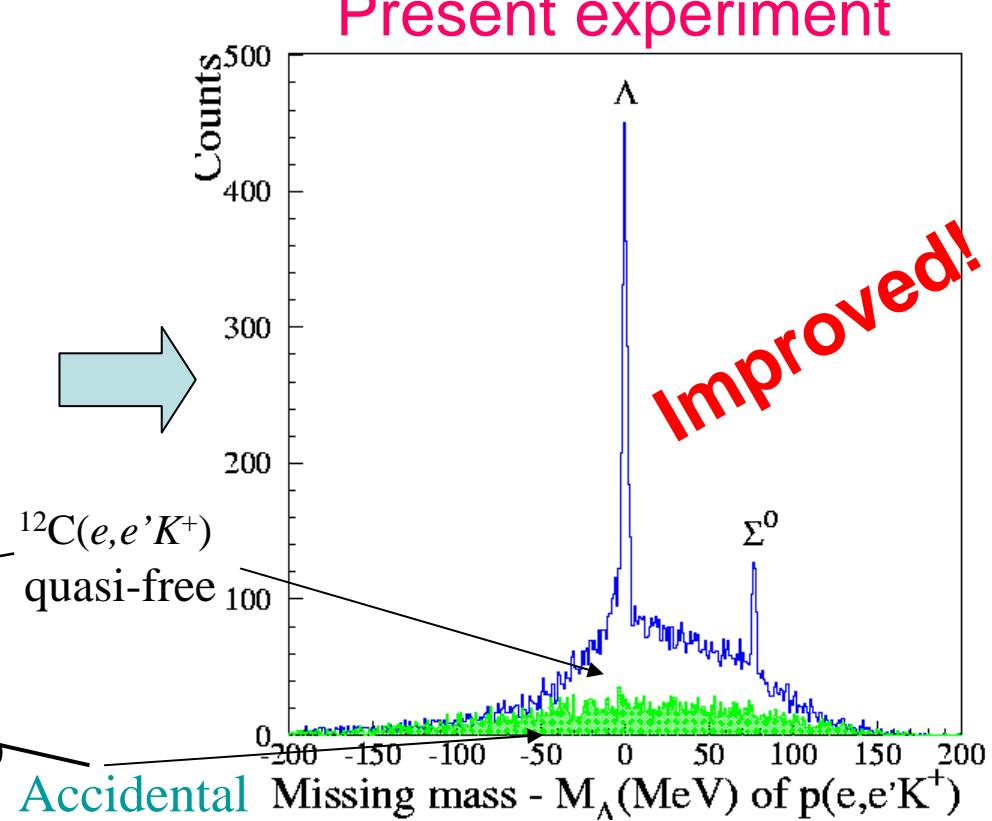
- Need new optics parameters for both arms.
Enge is tilted. HKS is new.
- Angle calibration.
Data with sieve slits were taken.
- Momentum calibration.
 - ☺ $p(e,e'K^+)\Lambda/\Sigma^0$ reactions with CH_2 target
 Λ , Σ^0 masses are well known.
 - ☺ $^{12}_{\Lambda}\text{B}$ ground state
binding energy was measured in the previous experiment (E89-009 and emulsion exp.)

Calibration data from the $p(e,e'K^+)\Lambda/\Sigma^0$ reactions

Previous experiment



Present experiment

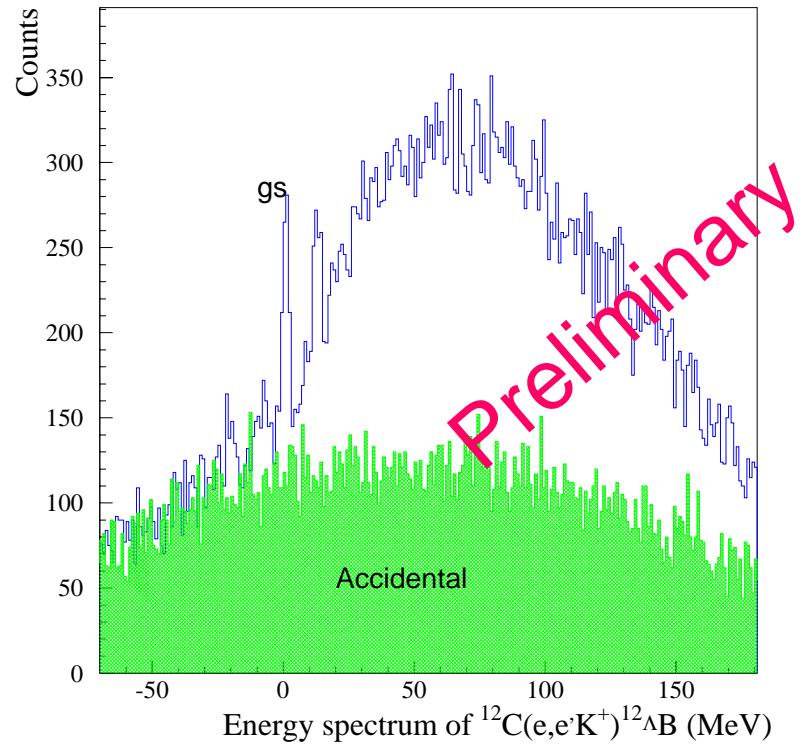
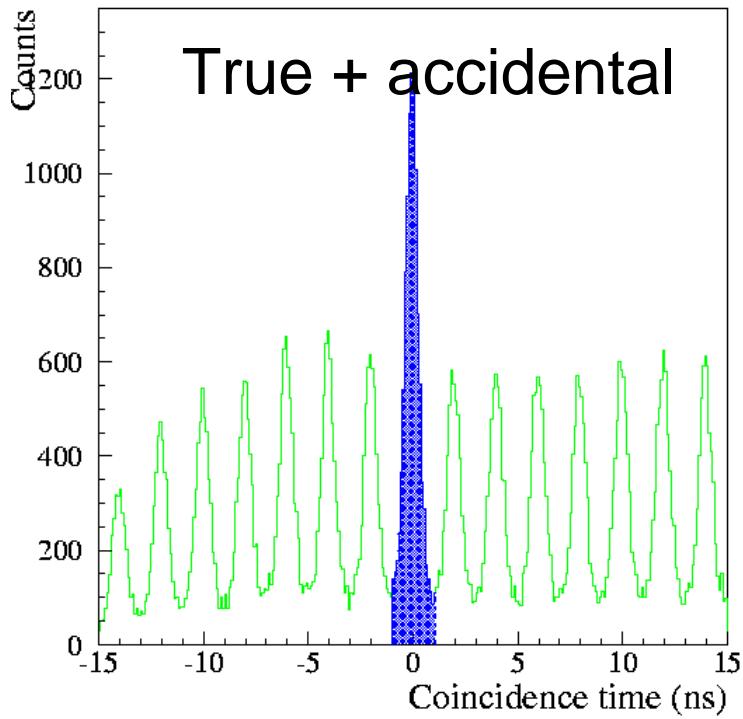


210 Lambdas



1390 Lambdas

Carbon ($^{12}\Lambda$ B) data



$^{12}\Lambda\text{B}$ g.s

~ 600 counts (~20/hr) ~1 MeV \rightarrow 400 keV

(Previous exp. (E89-009) 165 counts with 900 keV.

HallA 300 counts with 700 keV.)

Status of experiment

- Calibration runs with CH₂ and carbon targets finished.
Optics tuning is in progress.
- Production run with Si target (²⁸_{Al}) is now on going. ~ 5days
- Rate studies for heavier target
V, Y, ...

Summary

- Experiment with the tilted ENGE and the new spectrometer HKS started in this July.
- Comparing with the previous experiment, the accidental rate decreases dramatically and the kaon grouping trigger works well to take data with ~5% dead time of DAQ for 26 μA beam.
- Calibration run finished. Λ/Σ^0 peaks and $^{12}_{\Lambda}\text{B}$ ground state are clearly observed. Optics study is in underway with those and sieve slit data.
- Now, production run with Si target.
- The data will provide medium-heavier hypernuclear spectra with good statistics and good resolution.